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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

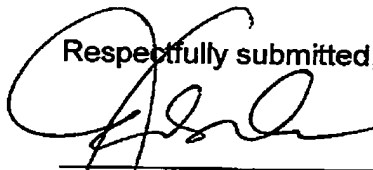
The applicants respectfully thank the examiner for issuing an indication of allowable subject matter. All informalities indicated by the examiner with respect to claims 1-3 and 13-15 as stated in the office action (page 2) has been attended to in this paper.

Further, the applicants have amended claims 1-2 to replace "means" with --unit-- so that the "mean-plus-function" claim interpretation according to 35 U.S.C. 112, ¶6, would not apply. As this is considered to enlarge the claim scope, the applicants also file herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

With this change in claim 1, claims 21-22 were added to reintroduce the subject matter of claims 4 and 6 previously cancelled (with claim 1 amended accordingly), and the examination of these claims in combination with claim 1, now amended to remove the "mans-plus-function" language is respectfully requested.

Should the examiner have any remaining questions or concerns, the examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to expeditiously resolve such concerns.

Respectfully submitted,



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